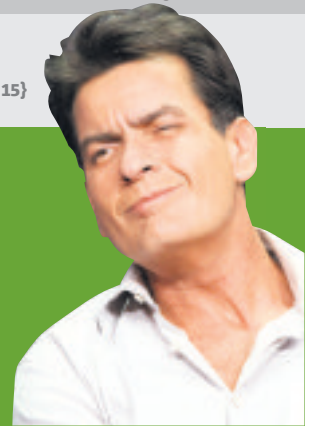


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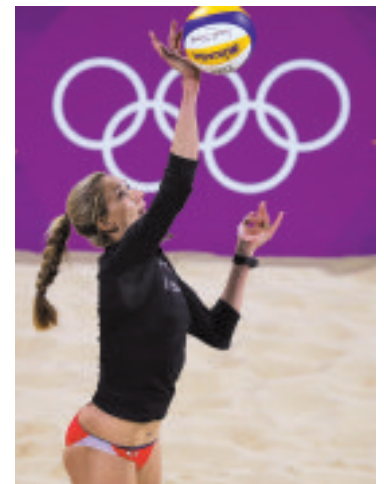
Mum on guns: Why aren't they talking about gun control?

► As Nov. election looms, neither US presidential candidate wants to talk about Americans' right to bear arms ► In cruel update to Colorado shooting, critically injured woman who lost 6-year-old daughter miscarries over the weekend {page 02}



► This Colt AR-15 assault rifle, similar to what alleged Colorado shooter James Holmes used, can be legally sold to civilians in the U.S. It can fire more than 30 rounds of bullets at a time, and, in states like Colorado, it is not required to be registered.

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America's undying love affair with guns

► Some pols shy away from contentious gun control debate ► Presidential candidates say little in wake of Colorado massacre ► Legislation unlikely this year

It's been 10 days since the July 20 Aurora, Colo., shooting — a massacre that killed 12 led one of the critically injured survivors to miscarry over the weekend — and Americans may be demanding: Can we talk about gun control now?

Don't hold your breath. Both major presidential candidates and Congressional lawmakers remain largely silent on the issue, and any legislation before November's elections appears highly unlikely.

"There's very little perceived benefit for either of them," David Birdsell, dean of Baruch College's School of Public Affairs, said in reference to President Barack Obama and rival Mitt Romney.

"In Obama's case there are three letters that explain it: NRA," Birdsell added. "That lobby has been extremely effective in the marketplace of popular opinion."

And in Romney's case, he is trying to walk a fine line between Democratically leaning undecided voters and the conservative base, according to Birdsell.

Obama weighed in somewhat on Wednesday, telling a New Orleans audience that "AK-47s belong in the hands of soldiers, not in the hands of criminals."

"I believe the majority of gun owners would agree that we should do everything possible to prevent criminals and fugitives from purchasing weapons, that we should check someone's criminal record before they can check out a gun seller, that a mentally unbalanced individual should not be able to get his hands on a gun so easily," Obama said.

"These steps shouldn't be controversial," he added. "They should be common sense."

Critics point out, however, that Obama by and large failed to support similar actions during his first term in office, despite 2008 campaign promises to be tough on gun control.

Romney, meanwhile, once

claimed during a 2002 Massachusetts gubernatorial debate that he supported the state's tough gun laws.

Two years later, he signed a state assault weapons ban.

But the presumptive GOP nominee has taken a different stance more recently.

He said in 2009 that "no constitutional protection is more often ignored, distorted or disdained than the individual right to keep and bear arms."

On his campaign website, Romney declared that he would enforce the gun laws already on the books — but that he does not support adding more laws and regulations.

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► A U.S. ban on assault weapons, used in the Colorado shooting, expired in 2004.

NRA's political influence

The National Rifle Association, the nation's most influential gun rights advocacy group, spent almost \$3 million on lobbying in 2011, according to the nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics.

The NRA has also handed out around \$577,000 in po-

litical contributions so far during the 2012 election cycle. Rep. Steve Fincher (R-Tenn.), Rep. Rick Berg (R-N.D.) and Rep. Eric Cantor (R-Va.) have been the three biggest beneficiaries, collecting \$9,900, \$7,450 and \$7,450, respectively.

Mitt Romney, for his part, has gotten \$5,000 from the NRA, while Barack Obama has not received any NRA money. **METRO/JG**

Who's packing?



Here are some famous gun-wielding New Yorkers:

- **Donald Trump**, real estate mogul
- **John Catsimatidis**, owner of the Gristedes supermarket chain
- **Alexis Stewart**, daughter of Martha Stewart and TV host
- **Robert De Niro**, movie star
- **Howard Stern**, shock jock and "America's Got Talent" judge
- **Isaac Perlmutter**, CEO of Marvel Comics

Bloomberg stands out as strongest voice for control

In contrast to the two presidential candidates, Mayor Michael Bloomberg has shown clearly where he stands on gun control during a recent series of press conferences and TV news shows.

"There are so many murders with guns every day — it's just got to stop," Bloomberg said in the wake

57K

Number of New York City residents with registered gun permits

of the Colorado killings.

Back in 2006, Bloomberg and Boston Mayor Thomas Menino formed Mayors Against Illegal Guns, a coalition of more than 600 mayors that works to "stop criminals from getting guns while also

protecting the rights of citizens to freely own them."

He also backed state legislation that increased the mandatory minimum sentence for illegal possession of a loaded handgun.

There are an estimated 57,000 New York City residents with registered gun permits, along with nearly 8,000 members of the local National Rifle Association, according to Crain's.

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"This tragedy is another grim reminder that guns are the enablers of mass killers and that our nation pays an unacceptable price for our failure to keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people."

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But is gun control the right thing?

Many gun-rights advocates believe stricter laws would actually increase crime. Erich Pratt, of Gun Owners of America, said the worst massacres generally occur in gun-free zones, such as a movie theater. "Here again we have a gun-free zone, which has resulted in innocent victims not being able to protect themselves," Pratt said. At an Aurora, Colo., church, on the other hand, a heat-packing congregant killed a gunman this April, he said. **METRO/JG**

In the news

Man stabbed by drunk girl aboard 6 train

A man was stabbed at about 6 a.m. yesterday morning after he tried to quiet down a group of rowdy, drunk girls on the 6 train, according to the New York Daily News. The man, 63, told the girls to calm down as the train pulled into the 23rd Street station, according to the report. But that's when one of the girls allegedly pulled out a knife and stabbed the bystander in the shoulder. He is recovering at Bellevue Hospital. **METRO/CB**

In the news

Six shot in BK, including boy

A small child, possibly as young as 2 years old, was hospitalized last night after he was shot in the leg in Brooklyn, according to police. Five other people were also shot in their legs, but all six victims are expected to survive the attack. The shooting occurred near the intersection of Rockaway and Riverdale avenues in the Brownsville neighborhood of Brooklyn, according to police. The search for the shooter continued into last night.

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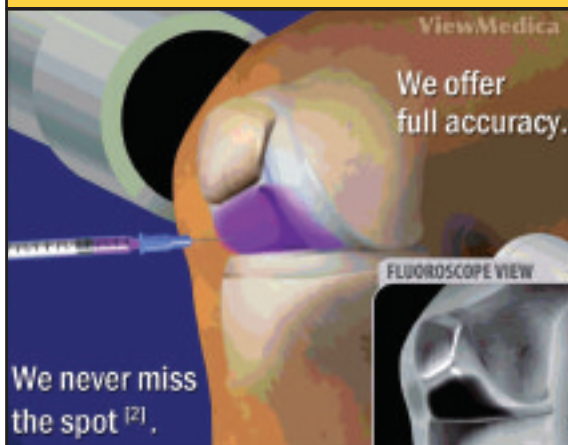
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Council speaker wants Chick-fil-A out

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► Official who wants to be city's next mayor asks NYU president to 'sever relationship' with Chick-fil-A in cafeteria ► But Mayor Bloomberg disagrees

New York's City Council Speaker Christine Quinn is the latest politician to jump into the escalating Chick-fil-A fray.

On Saturday, Quinn launched an online petition that declares Chick-fil-A is not welcome in the city, as long as the fast-food chain's leader continues to espouse anti-gay marriage views.

"I think we are inviting God's judgment when we shake our fist at him and say, 'We know better than you as to what constitutes a marriage,'" said Chick-fil-A president Dan Cathy in a radio interview.

As of yesterday afternoon,

Quinn's petition had garnered 392 signatures. Her opposition to the chain is notable, as Quinn, the Council's first openly gay speaker, is a strong contender to be the city's next mayor.

As part of her campaign, Quinn also sent a letter to NYU President John Sexton on Saturday, urging him to sever the school's relationship with the franchise.

"Let me be clear — I do not want establishments in my city that hold such discriminatory views," Quinn wrote in the letter. "We are a city that believes our diversity is our greatest strength, and we will fight anything and anyone

that runs counter to that."

Mayor Michael Bloomberg, on the other hand, has different opinions on the controversy swirling around the fast food joint. Bloomberg said he didn't think it was the role of the government to restrict private business based on beliefs.

"It's just not the government's job," the mayor said Friday on WOR radio's "John Gambling Show." "And no matter how much you dislike somebody else's views, think about what would happen in the cities where the views are on the other side."

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Chick-fil-A in the hot seat

Boston Mayor Thomas Menino wrote a letter to Dan Cathy telling him that the fast-food franchise is not welcome on Boston's Freedom Trail.

Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel vowed to block the chain's plan to build a new restaurant in the Windy City. San Francisco Mayor Edwin Lee tweeted, "Closest #ChickFilA to San Francisco is 40 miles away and I strongly recommend that they try not to come any closer."

Meanwhile, Sarah Palin tweeted "Stopped by Chick-fil-A to support a great business."



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Gay couple fights back for misuse of wedding photo

A gay northern New Jersey couple is considering legal action if a conservative think tank doesn't stop using their wedding photo as part of an attack ad campaign in a Colorado legislative race.

Brian Edwards, a university administrator from Montclair, N.J., received an e-mail on June 27 from a friend. In it was a photo of Edwards and his then-fiance, Tom Privitere, kissing on the Brooklyn waterfront. In the background, the East River can be seen, as well as the lower Manhattan skyline.

The photo that Edwards saw, however, was altered: Instead of the city skyline, the backdrop showed a snowy for-

est scene and read, "State Senator Jean White's Idea of 'Family Values?'"

After a bit of digging, Edwards discovered that a Washington, D.C.-based conservative group called Public Advocate created the mailers.

But the New Jersey couple never authorized the use of their image.

"I was shocked," Edwards said. "I rushed home and quickly Googled 'Jean White attack ad.'"

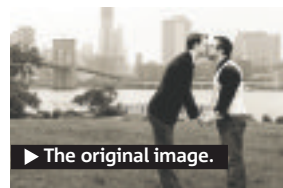
On its website, Public Advocate lists its opposition to "same-sex marriage and the furtherance of so-called 'Gay Rights.'"

Sen. Jean White is running



► The couple says a conservative group altered their wedding photo and used it as part of this ad.

ORIGINAL IMAGE BY KRISTINA HILL



► The original image.

but was used for the complete opposite effect," Privitere told Metro. "It was used for a cause we fight vehemently against every day; we were hit below the belt."

The couple contacted the Southern Poverty Law Center, which has reportedly listed Public Advocate as a hate group. The Southern Poverty Law Center issued a cease-and-desist letter to Public Advocate on July 11.

The couple is still waiting for a response to the letter from Eugene Delgaudio, the president of Public Advocate.



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as the incumbent in a Republican primary for state Senate in northwest Colorado. White voted last year and this year in support of a state bill that allows same-sex civil unions.

Edwards said the couple did post the image to their blog, called The Gay Wedding Experience.

"The original image was taken to convey love and family,

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Cheney: Choosing Palin as 2008 VP was a 'mistake'

WASHINGTON. Former Vice President Dick Cheney said in remarks aired yesterday that 2008 Republican presidential candidate John McCain's selection of Sarah Palin as his vice presidential running mate was "a mistake" because of her inexperience.

Cheney said in an interview with ABC News that the main criterion for anyone being considered as a potential future vice presi-

dent has to be: "Is this person capable of being the president of the United States?" **REUTERS**

Miscarriage is fresh tragedy for Colorado victim

DENVER. The critically injured mother of the 6-year-old girl killed in the Denver-area movie theater shooting rampage has suffered a miscarriage as a result of her injuries, her family said.

Ashley Moser, 25, who was shot in the neck and abdomen during the July 20 midnight premiere of "The Dark Knight Rises," underwent additional surgery for her injuries on Saturday morning, Moser's family said in a statement.

"Tragically, the extreme trauma she sustained also caused a miscarriage," the statement said. "Her lifetime of care will be a long road."

Moser's daughter, Veronica Moser-Sullivan, was the youngest to die in the shooting spree. **REUTERS**

Romney 'would back Israeli strike over Iran nuclear capability'

U.S. Republican candidate Mitt Romney, presenting himself as Israel's best friend in the Nov. 6 presidential election, said yesterday that "any and all measures" must be used to keep Iran from developing a nuclear weapon.

A top aide said Romney would support an Israeli military strike if all options had been exhausted, but the candidate himself balked at repeating that position.

In a foreign policy speech in Jerusalem, Romney voiced strong support for the alliance between the United States and Israel and seemed to suggest that President Barack Obama had let the relationship flounder.

"We cannot stand silent as those who seek to undermine Israel voice their criticisms.



► Mitt Romney arrives to deliver a speech outside the Old City yesterday in Jerusalem, Israel. Romney stated that he backs Israel's right to defend itself against the threat of a nuclear Iran.

And we certainly should not join in that criticism. Diplomatic distance in public between our nations emboldens Israel's adversaries," said Romney, the walls of the Old City lining the hilltop behind him.

"We should employ any and all measures to dissuade the Iranian regime from its

nuclear course, and it is our fervent hope that diplomatic and economic measures will do so. In the final analysis, of course, no option should be excluded. We recognize Israel's right to defend itself and that it is right for America to stand with you," he said.

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Israel denies report Obama aide shared Iran war plan

A senior Israeli official denied yesterday a newspaper report that President Barack Obama's national security adviser had briefed Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on a U.S. contingency plan to attack Iran should diplomacy fail to curb its nuclear program.

The Israeli liberal Haaretz daily yesterday quoted an unnamed U.S. official as saying the adviser, Thomas Donilon, had described the plan over dinner with Netanyahu earlier this month.

Haaretz said the briefing was the most significant effort by high-level U.S. officials who had visited Israel in the past month, including Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, to try to dissuade Israel from launching its own military strike on Iran. **REUTERS**

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Penn State University president says school covered for lawsuits

Pennsylvania State University has enough insurance coverage to deal with lawsuits that might result from its child sexual abuse scandal, President Rodney Erickson said.

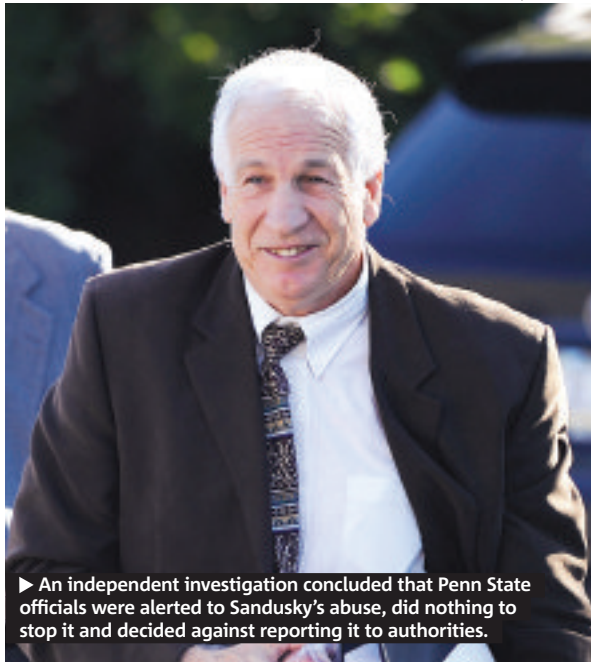
The school wants to settle any lawsuits "as quickly as possible," Erickson reaffirmed in an interview on CBS' "Face the Nation."

A summary of his remarks was posted on the program's website.

He was quoted as saying the school was "adequately covered" against lawsuits that might arise. Jerry Sandusky, a retired assistant football coach, was convicted last month of sexually abusing 10 boys over 15 years, including at Penn State facilities, in one of the worst scandals in college sports.

The university is involved in a legal battle with its main liability insurer, Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association Insurance Co., over who should have to pay for any civil suits in the Sandusky scandal. It also owns its own insurer, Nittany Insurance Co. of Vermont.

Lawyers for one of the key victims in the Sandusky case said this week he was suing the university for contribut-



► An independent investigation concluded that Penn State officials were alerted to Sandusky's abuse, did nothing to stop it and decided against reporting it to authorities.

ing to the abuse.

Sandusky's 2001 sexual assault of the man, known as Victim 2, in a locker room shower was at the heart of the scandal that engulfed Penn State. He was one of two victims not to testify at the trial.

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Sandusky faces a prison term of up to 373 years when he is sentenced for abusing boys over a 15-year period.

largest cities and an explosion that killed four top security officials.

Government forces have succeeded in reimposing their grip on the capital after a punishing battle, but rebels are still in control of sections of Aleppo.

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Assad forces declare victory in Damascus

ALEPPO, SYRIA. The government of Bashar al-Assad declared victory yesterday in a hard-fought battle for Syr-

ia's capital Damascus, and pounded rebels who control parts of its largest city Aleppo.

Assad's forces have struggled as never before to maintain their grip on the country over the past two weeks after a major rebel advance into the two

Scientists unlock ocean CO2 climate secrets

SINGAPORE. From giant whirlpools to currents 1,000 kilometers wide, scientists said this morning they have uncovered how vast amounts of carbon are locked away in the depths of the Southern Ocean, boosting researchers ability to de-

tect the impact of climate change.

Oceans curb the pace of climate change by absorbing carbon dioxide emissions from burning fossil fuels. The Southern Ocean is the largest of these ocean carbon sinks, soaking up

about 40 percent of mankind's CO2 absorbed by the seas.

But until now, researchers were unsure what mechanisms were involved because of the remoteness and sheer size of the Southern Ocean. REUTERS

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In the 1500s, the site of London's Horse Guards Parade is where Henry VIII watched jousting tournaments. The parade grounds were built in 1745 and are typically home to the annual Trooping of the Colour event.

Today, with the help of 5,000 tons of sand, it has been transformed into an international playing field for Olympic beach volleyball, where 15,000 fans whoop and holler as teams of two bump, set and spike



► Spectators have a breathtaking view besides the athletes competing on the sand.

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their way to gold.

It is a surreal scene inside the newly erected stadium, which sits on the prime minister's door step. A skyline of iconic London landmarks, like Westminster Abbey, Big Ben and the London Eye, hover

above the stands as frenzied fans whistle at bikini-clad dancers who take to the sand between sets. It's enough to make Queen Elizabeth blush.

Fans from a bevy of countries enjoyed a vibrant atmosphere reminiscent of an NHL

game at Madison Square Garden. Commentators with British accents encourage the crowd to cheer and clap, silly tunes play while "rakers" smooth sand off the court lines, excited fans initiate "the wave" and vendors sell pizza, chips and beer. Bouts of rain prompted a crowd-wide reaction of pulling on plastic ponchos, but fans didn't budge from their seats.

After the Netherlands men's team pulled out a close win over Venezuela, fans went wild. Ann Speelman — a Netherlands native who now lives in London — and her mother proudly waved a flag and gushed about the adrenaline rush of seeing her home country win during the Olympics.

"You're there, you feel it. It is such an amazing experience," Speelman told Metro. "Look at this view. We're so close. To have this as a venue is amazing."

While countries including Australia, Germany, Latvia and

Great Britain played today, there were plenty of nationalities represented in the stands. American Pat Jameson, an aerospace engineer from Phoenix, brought his family of four to London to experience the Olympics and still got decked out in red, white and blue to attend a match in Horse Guards Parade, even though Team USA wasn't playing today.

"Gotta represent," he said. "We're just here to soak it in — any venue, any athlete."

Horse Guards Parade will return to its original function after the London Olympics come to an end. But for now, it remains the scene of stiff competition, including a win by American women Kerri Walsh-Jennings and Misty May-Treanor over Australians Tasmin Hinchley and Natalie Cook, in a late-night game on Saturday.

— Cassandra Garrison is covering the Olympics live from London. Follow her at @CassieAtMetro.

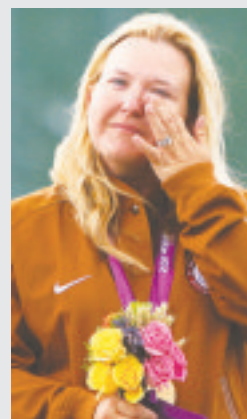
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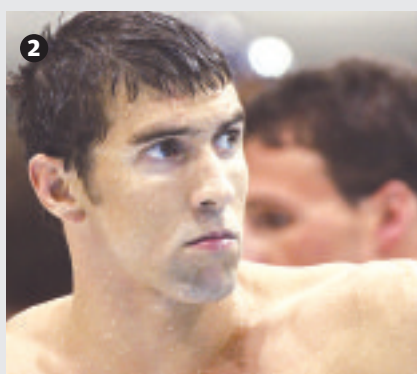
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8. NORTH KOREA 2 0 1

9. HUNGARY 1 1 1

10. AUSTRALIA 1 1 1



The games in pictures

1 America's Dana Vollmer set a world record as she won gold in the 100m butterfly in 55.98 seconds.

2 Michael Phelps was not happy to lose the 4x100m freestyle relay to France.

3 Petr Koukal of the Czech Republic is crushed after losing in badminton men's singles.

4 Reigning women's all-around gymnastics world champion Jordyn Wieber shockingly did not qualify for the Americans.

5 Marianne Vos took gold in the women's road race as she found out all about rainy London.



Three events to catch today:



Men's 200m freestyle
Ryan Lochte goes for his second gold of the Games against China's Yang Sun.

Men's gymnastics (team)
U.S. was the top qualifier and have a chance to win gold for the first time since 1984.

Women's beach volleyball
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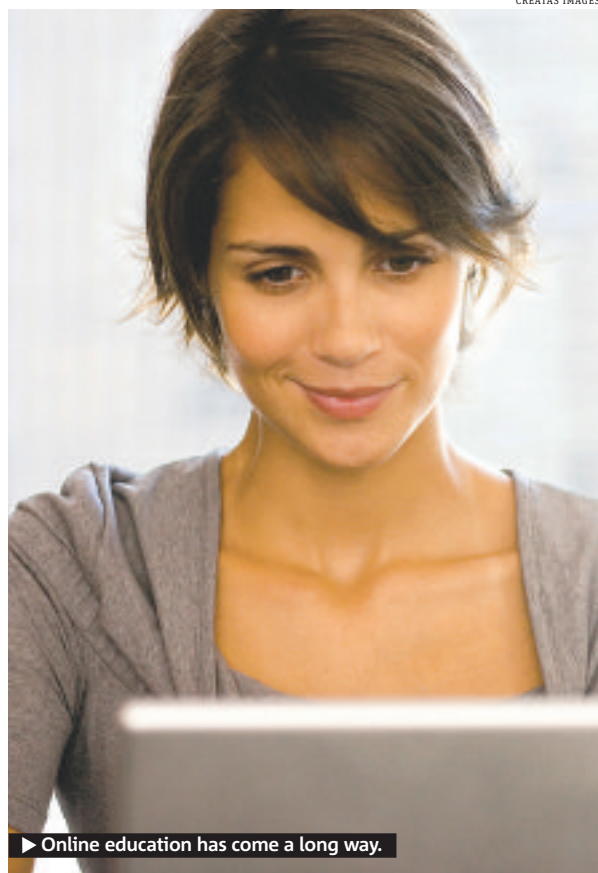
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Startups transforming online education in 2012

► Advances in technology coupled with increased demand for education services have given birth to a wave of online learning apps ► The top four

1 2tor: 2tor is the first startup of its kind to offer full degree programs online at top-tier universities. It's also the most highly funded. As of April, its total investments added up to a little less than \$97 million.

2tor partners with universities across the country to help them build and market online degree programs. The startup has created master's degree programs for a variety of schools, including a Master of Arts in Teaching at the University of Southern California and Georgetown University's nursing program.

2tor is making waves for its Web-based infrastructure that allows professors to easily share information with students, create interactive lessons and provide lectures and oppor-

Access granted

EdX offers courses from MIT, Harvard

Announced on May 2, EdX is the joint creation of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard. The partnership strives to bring online learning to people across the globe and offers online classes for free. EdX courses include videos, quizzes, feedback and more to help students navigate the material. This month, the service received a \$1 million grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which shows just how much potential online education programs have to grow.

tunities for social interaction among students.

2 Udemy: Udemy is unique because it allows anyone to take or build an online course. The site offers courses on technology, business, music, art, languages, math, science, games, sports and more.

The basic premise is to crowdsource education. Much like how blogging allows anyone to share information, Udemy allows anyone to create courses with nothing more than an internet connection. Many individuals with a desire to learn are cut out of the education system by rising tuition, housing and commuting costs, but Udemy empowers anyone to share and learn at a more affordable rate.

3 Voxy: This startup is allowing users to "learn a language from life," meaning that it uses context and flexibility to teach new languages via Web-based and mobile technology. Voxy turns your real-world conversations, activities and the media you consume into contextual language lessons. The service allows users to control the pace of their learning with tailored language lessons focusing on things that are of interest to them. The iPhone- and Android-friendly app has spent nearly a year as the number one education app in 20 countries.

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Public colleges face 'intensified' credit hurdles

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► Publicly funded colleges and universities face a growing list of financial challenges.

Credit challenges for public colleges and universities have "intensified," Moody's Investors Service said on Thursday, and majority of the institutions it rates have a negative outlook because of their reliance on student tuition and government funding.

Only a minority of so-called market-leading universities, mainly rated Aaa or Aa, have a stable outlook because of their strong balance sheets and diversified revenue.

Moody's said this smaller group can better withstand the pressures affecting the entire higher education sector: the stumbling economic recovery, meager investment returns in their portfolios, funding cuts and a decline in households' net worth.

Its list of growing challenges for the sector includes the need for bolder leadership by college and university presidents, the difficulty many students now have paying for college, the development of online courses and tighter scrutiny by regulators and accreditors.

"These developing risks are forcing universities to focus more aggressively on cost control amidst growing revenue challenges," Moody's said.

Since June, three universities' credit ratings have been hit: the outlook for Kean University, New Jersey, was revised to negative from stable; Mountain State University, West Vir-

ginia, was downgraded to B1 from Baa3 and put on review for potential downgrade; and Fort Valley State University, Georgia, was also put on review for a possible downgrade.

Standard & Poor's Investors Service on Wednesday also gave the sector a mixed outlook, citing state funding cuts and a slowly recovering economy. ● **REUTERS**

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Metro's **Monica Weymouth** shares her take on the world of gossip [@monicaatmetro](#) [monica.weymouth@metro.us](#)



► The happy couple — pictured here with Gosselaar's daughter Ava — tied the knot Saturday.

We'll eventually hold our peace

Sorry, children of the '90s: **Catriona McGinn** just lived out your fantasy over the weekend. The 30-year-old advertising exec married **Mark Paul Gosselaar** — aka Zack

Morris — on Saturday at a winery in California, and is now enjoying a honeymoon in Italy.

We wish them the best, even though we stuck with Gosselaar — for better or for worse, in good times and in mostly bad — through “Saved by the Bell: The College Years.”

Norway evicts Snoop

Snoop Dogg isn't welcome in Norway anytime soon. The rapper was banned from the country for two years stemming from an incident last month when marijuana

was found in his luggage while en route to a music festival.

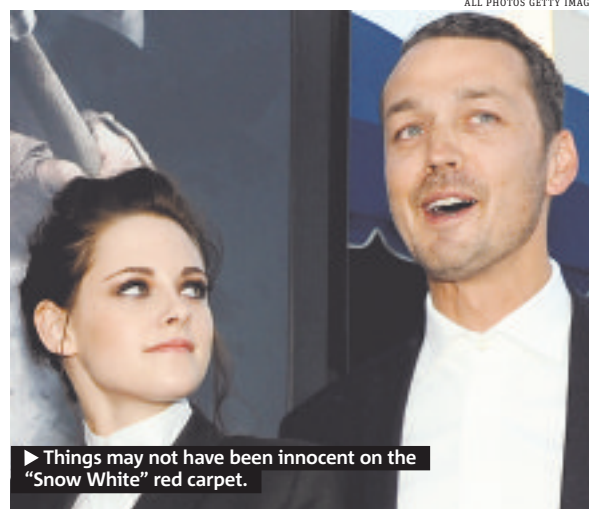
Norway's party scene, apparently, doesn't warrant paying someone off. Snoop's legal rep tells the Daily Mail that his client has no plans to appeal and “can live with the decision.”

Stewart-Sanders affair wasn't a one-time deal

Kristen Stewart apologized for her “momentary indiscretion” with director **Rupert Sanders**, but it seems there is more to the story than the one-day fling that *Us Weekly* photographers crashed last week.

According to **Leopold Ross** — the brother of Sanders' wife, **Liberty Ross** — the affair began last fall during the filming of “Snow White and the Huntsman,” which Sanders directed and Stewart starred in. “It might actually make things better in the long run,” Leopold tells *UK newspaper The People*. “She wasn't that happy for a while, but our family is close, she'll be all right.”

Robert Pattinson, apparently, wasn't buying the “momentary” line, either. “Rob wants to have a man-to-man chat with Rupert to find out exactly what happened between him and Kristen,” a source tells *RadarOnline*. “Kristen has already betrayed his trust by cheating, so he can't be sure



► Things may not have been innocent on the “Snow White” red carpet.

that she will tell him exactly what went on between her and Rupert. Rupert has a wife and family to save, so Rob feels like he has nothing left to lose and would be honest with him.”

Rob, before you sit through

what's shaping up to be a rough play-by-play, we encourage you to remember this: You are Robert Pattinson and are surrounded by Hollywood starlets with less than nothing to lose. Choose your chat wisely.

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Weekend recap

1. You already knew this, but **Rihanna** had a better weekend than you. On Saturday, she was spotted opening a bottle of bubbly on a yacht in Italy.

2. A still-super-cute **Tiffany Amber Thiessen** played some Nintendo with her daughter **Harper** in New York on Saturday.

3. **Arnold Schwarzenegger** turns 65 today — and over the years, he's done a pretty stellar job of amassing a weird and wonderful photo archive. We're celebrating with this one from 1977.

4. "Total Recall" co-stars **Jessica Biel** and **Colin Farrell** were promoting the film in L.A.

5. We don't know what Fountain of Youth **Gwen Stefani** is swimming in, but we kindly request a guest pass.

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No longer 'insane,' Sheen wants to extend 'Anger Management'

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► Charlie Sheen, left, stars as Charlie Goodson and Martin Sheen as Martin Goodson on the Aug. 16 episode of "Anger Management." The comedy airs Thursdays at 9:30 p.m. on FX.

- The sitcom could receive a 90-episode renewal
- The actor — and his dad — are ready to commit

For the first time since his return to television in "Anger Management," Charlie Sheen addressed journalists gathered at the Television Critics Association press tour in Beverly Hills, Calif., on Saturday.

Joined by a number of co-stars, including Selma Blair, Sheen appeared relaxed — or at least weekend-casual, wearing plaid shorts and no socks — to address the critics who had scrutinized his meltdown after he was fired from "Two and a Half Men."

"It was a crazy time, and it was sort of like a runaway train I couldn't get off of, but I was the conductor," Sheen said, commenting on the year he lived on tiger blood and

launched the "My Violent Torpedo of Truth/Defeat is Not An Option" tour.

Sheen described his breakdown as "something that could never happen again, so that was pretty cool." Sticking to the talking points of his redemption story, he added, "I learned a lot. I learned [to] stick to what you know. Don't go on the road with a one-man show in 33 days in 21 cities with no act. My life's different now that I'm not insane anymore."

FX, at least, is banking on the actor to be more accountable. "Anger Management" is poised to receive a 90-episode pickup if its initial run of 10 episodes perform well — and so far, the network is pleased.

(The show launched on June 28 to the highest series premiere ratings in cable history for a scripted comedy.)

Sheen called that prospect "exciting as hell" and added that he doesn't "think 90 is gonna be enough" episodes to tell the story of Charlie Goodson, his formerly angry ballplayer turned therapist.

The pickup would also herald the addition of Martin Sheen, Charlie's father, to the cast as a series regular. Before a renewal decision is made, the elder Sheen will be guest starring as Goodson's dad on the episode that airs Aug. 16.



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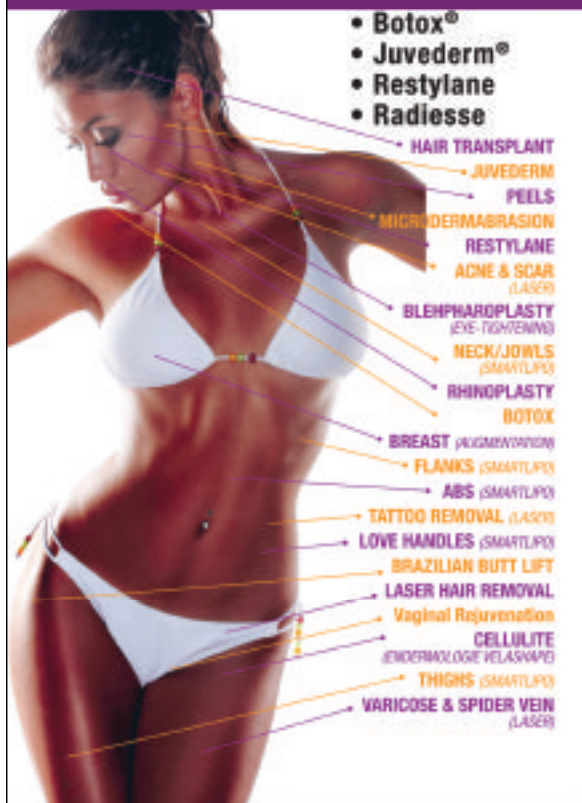
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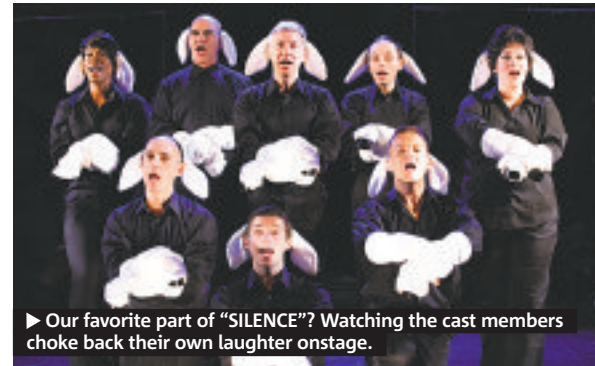
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► Lovingly lambasting two of your favorite films from the '90s, these off-Broadway parodies prove theater doesn't need to take itself seriously

In the year's slowest season for big new shows, smaller spoofs have found their time to shine this summer. Two send-ups of pop culture movies — "Jurassic Park" and "Silence of the Lambs" — are drawing mixed crowds looking for that Holy Grail in NYC: affordable, novel entertainment. Both musicals push boundaries with queer themes, risqué humor and endless meta references. See them in this order:

'Triassic Parq'

If you thought typical female teen angst was bad, imagine what happens when prehistoric predators hit puberty. A smash hit at FringeNYC Festival in 2010, this recount of the dinos' side of the story found a full-production home at the SoHo Playhouse in June. As tearfully funny as "Book of Mormon" with twice the accessibili-



CAROL ROSEGG

► Our favorite part of "SILENCE"? Watching the cast members choke back their own laughter onstage.

ty, this musical explores sexuality, religion and science with a roaring disregard of self-dignity. Seats are available right onstage for the "full dinosaur experience." Trust us: It's got date night written all over it.

'SILENCE! The Musical'

"SILENCE!" also debuted at

FringeNYC Festival back in 2005, building off the cult following of songs like "Put the F—ing Lotion in the Basket," released online in 2002. It's been staged downtown since last year, but the show's popularity spurred its recent move to Midtown, where it now makes its home at the Elektra

Theatre in Times Square. David Garrison is a chillingly accurate Hannibal Lecter, while you'll love to hate rooting for Jenn Harris' Clarice Starling and her Greek chorus of singing sheep.



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6 Hot mobile apps for job hunting

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It seems like there's an app for everything now, and job hunting is no different. With unemployment holding steady at 8.1 percent, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, job seekers are using any tool available to get ahead of the crowd. Plus, what's easier than using your mobile device?

These days, you can use your phone to watch movies and set reminders — among with a host of other pretty snazzy and sophisticated tasks. As Zoëy Deschanel proved, the iPhone's Siri can tell if you it's raining — even looking out the window is a thing of the past. So why not utilize all that technology to get a leg up in the job arena? You certainly wouldn't be the only one with this idea: 77 percent of job seekers have already jumped on the app bandwagon. Here are some apps for job seekers looking to take their search on the go.

1 LunchMeet: LunchMeet is more than just a clever name to make you hungry — it's also a great networking app.

The service connects to your LinkedIn account and uses geo-targeting to find industry-specific contacts who may be open to networking. Just connect through LunchMeet, grab lunch or coffee and discuss your industry or career opportunities.

2 Pocket Résumé: So you've found the perfect job, but you have limited time to tailor your résumé and send it off to your potential employer. Pocket Résumé is here to help.

The app pulls the most updated information from your LinkedIn profile and enables you to export your résumé to PDF or Dropbox. It also lets users tailor resumes for specific positions by allowing you to reorder your résumé on the move, whether from your tablet or smartphone.

3 Jobs You'll Love for Android: Wish job boards could read your mind? The Jobs You'll Love Android app is like Pandora for



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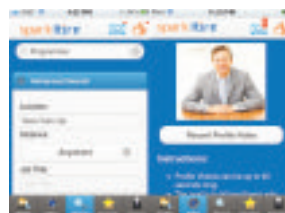
SparkHire for iPhone:

SparkHire, a video résumé, interviewing and job board site, has just launched an app version of its video interviewing platform.

Employers can present multiple text-based questions to job seekers who, in turn, respond with short video answers. These video answers can then be viewed by employers anywhere and anytime, which means you can

the job seeker: This app uses your job preferences to help you find the perfect position. Every job viewed by a user can be saved, shared or even disliked. Based on these preferences, the app will recommend other great jobs for you. So the more you use the app, the more it gets to know you — it's like getting great job advice from a friend you keep in your pocket.

4 JobJuice Social Media Search for iPhone: If you're not quite sure how to best use social media to find your next



show off your communication skills and personality without taking too much time out of your busy schedule. The app is perfect for passive job seekers who are currently employed, as they can easily interview during normal business hours.

great position, JobJuice is here to help. JobJuice Social Media Search for iPhone is a great learning tool for job seekers looking to incorporate social media into the hunt.

The app aims to help job seekers take advantage of social media to build their personal brand, research and target key companies and reach out to hiring managers without breaching online etiquette.

HEATHER HUHMAN FOR
Mashable
The Social Media Guide



Interview Prep Questions for iPhone and Android

Are you freaking out because you have a big interview coming up? Turn on your phone and start practicing with Interview Prep Questions. It can be difficult to foresee those tough questions that pop up in interviews, so you can prepare for a wide variety of potential queries with this handy database. The app offers practice questions and will even suggest answers if you're stumped. You can then take those answers and personalize them so they fit your unique qualifications and background.

Preparation is the name of the game when it comes to interviewing, and this app helps you prepare on the go.



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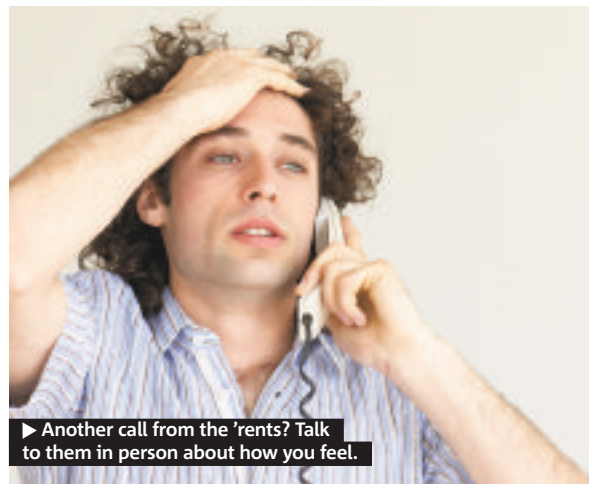


The question:

I'm 28 years old and my parents still treat me like a kid, calling me every day to "check in" and constantly asking my whereabouts. How can I get them to let up?

Every adult was once somebody's child. And it's hard for many parents to accept that their children are grown-ups. While your parents' behavior might be appropriate for a teenager, it's a bit extreme at your age. Before you say something to them, I suggest that you examine your own attitudes about your parents' behavior. For example, do you feel somewhat reassured that you still have loved ones looking out for you? Are they the first people you consult when you have a problem or decision to make?

If the answer is "yes," then you may want to explore your own reservations about feeling completely independent. You could be subtly communi-



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cating to your parents that you need their support.

Once you've checked in with yourself, and determined that you are ready to fully embrace your independence, then arrange a time to speak with your parents, preferably in person. Tell them that while you love them and appreciate their concern, you

would also like them to stop calling and checking in on you so frequently. Explain that it undermines your sense of confidence and independence.

You might want to suggest an actual number of times a week when they can call, or promise to call or text twice a week or every Sunday to say hello. If they refuse, or don't listen, you can exercise your right not to answer the phone every time they call.

Honoring one's parents shouldn't come at the price of honoring yourself.

— **Kim Schneiderman, MSW, LCSW**, is a psychotherapist and former journalist with a private practice in New York City. She is currently working on her first book, "How to Be the Star of Your Own Story: Writing the Path to Personal Transformation," based on her therapeutic writing workshops at the 92nd Street Y and JCC in Manhattan. E-mail her your questions at askkim@metro.us.

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Sadly, all have right to free speech

Phil Howard said that Metro had posted a narrow-minded viewpoint from a narrow-minded person. A majority, if not most, of the letters that are sent in to the editorial, or commentary, or letters section of every newspaper have amazingly ignorant

views posted. It is a matter of numbers. If newspapers were picky and tried to choose half-intelligent statements, hardly any letters would be printed. Free speech applies to all — but it seems that loud people with nothing bright or beneficial to say are the ones most likely to hide behind the First Amendment.

LUCY MARTINEZ, NEW YORK CITY

Justice should take the high road

Our penal system is intended to mete out not cruel and unusual punishment but only the punishment that fits the crime. The challenge of that system is to provide punishment that fits the crime and not to seek revenge. The function of that

system is to support a humane civilization, to keep it from descending into vengefulness and abject cruelty in the face of heinous crimes. Obviously abject cruelty and a disregard of the dignity of human life is a main feature of the Aurora killer. I don't want our society to be a copycat of the criminal it will be trying in its courts.

BETH R. WALSH, VIA E-MAIL

Trickle-down imposed on poor

With poverty levels now at 1965 proportions and further increases expected, the most heinous aspect of the trickle-down theory, or better still, the "tinkle"-down theory is that those above fully expect those be-

low to truly like the experience, while unquestioningly and enthusiastically supporting its continuance.

GLENN HAYES, KEW GARDENS, N.Y.

Hiding tax returns makes Mitt traitor

OK, so the Romney team has calculated there's less damage taking the heat from hiding his tax returns than from releasing them. Reminds me of when the tea-baggers were demanding Obama's birth certificate and he obligingly went ahead and posted it on the Internet. That tells you something right there about the character and honesty differences between these two men. What Romney probably has to hide is vast income from offshore accounts with far less than fair U.S. taxes paid.

Romney still likes to cast himself as a patriot. I'd say he's more a traitor, ripping off the country he wants to rule. **PAUL SIMONS, PHILADELPHIA**

Horoscope

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** If you're not careful, you could find yourself in the unenviable position of having others making all the decisions for you. Once you lose control, it could be difficult to regain it.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Onlookers might believe you to be a better talker than a doer. This can easily be corrected, however, if you act first and leave the conversation until later.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Exercise restraint in your commercial dealings, and don't jump on the first offer you receive. Thoroughly study all that is involved, both the obvious points and the subtleties.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Friends and associates will quickly become rattled about a critical situation if you are too indecisive. Once you've studied the matter, make your best judgment call and abide by it.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Manage the people in your charge with a gentle hand, because they will respond more favorably to kindness than to demands or anger.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Instead of handling your resources with prudence, you could easily succumb to your more extravagant impulses. Remember, what you waste now

won't be there when you really need it.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Be extremely careful not to play favorites in your involvements with friends. If you do, knowingly or unknowingly, you won't like the results one bit.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** There's a chance you'll become involved in an endeavor in which all the real power will reside in the hands of another. Should this happen, don't fight what you can't change.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Historically, when you spend impulsively you seldom walk away with a good deal. If you're not careful, it could be one of those times when you'll repeat this pattern.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Friends who want to support you might turn reluctant if you come off as too self-serving. Do unto others as you would do unto yourself.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** The biggest thing you might have to overcome is a lack of belief in your capabilities. If you don't have any faith in yourself, why should others? ♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Not everyone with whom you'll be involved will be in accord with your way of thinking — but show a willingness to have a meeting of the minds and good things will happen.

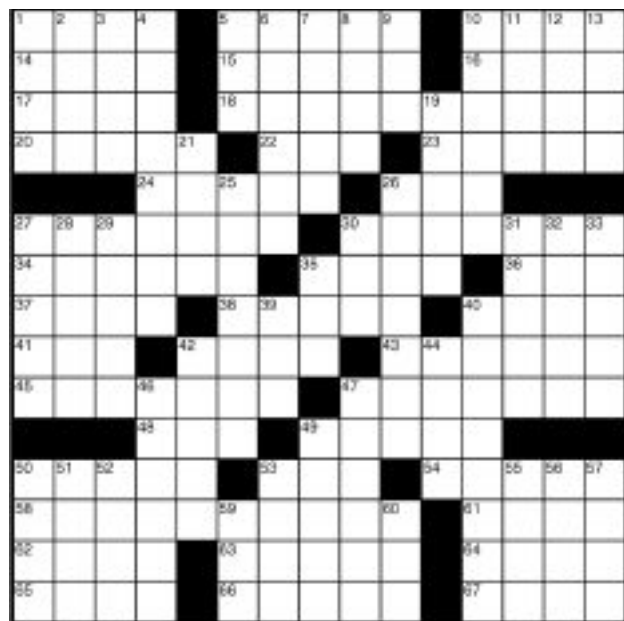
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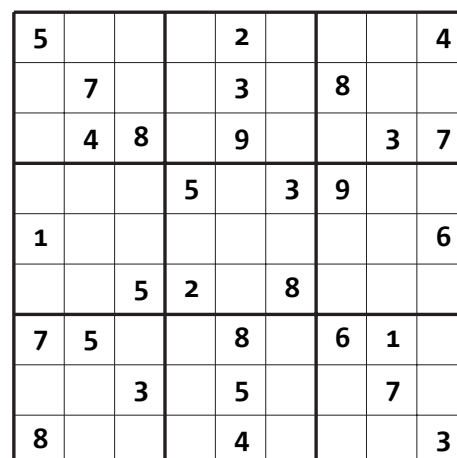
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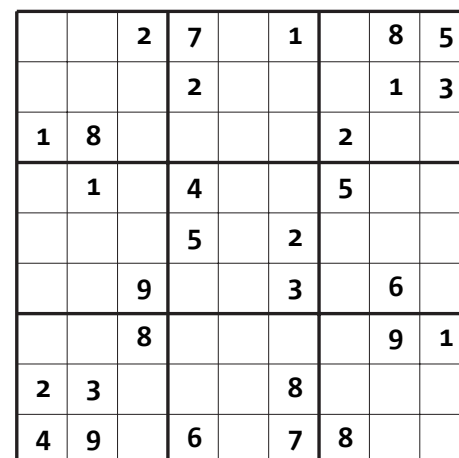


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Time with Tebow

► Receiver Chaz Schilens on rooming with the rock star QB in Cortland
 ► Impressed by his workouts ► Former Raider is trying replace Burress

When the Jets signed former Raiders wide receiver Chaz Schilens this offseason, they not only got a potential playmaker for their receiving corps, they also got someone to test the caloric willpower of Tim Tebow.

Schilens and Tebow are roommates for training camp, and the duo has hit it off. They talk football and have enjoyed getting to know each other, with Tebow sharing the big screen television he brought up from New Jersey for camp and Schilens in turn offering Tebow a late night snack. It was an offer that the fitness nut Tebow quickly refused.

"I was eating Teddy Grahams last night and I offered him some," Schilens said. "But he didn't eat them."

Of all the things Schilens has learned about Tebow, he said he is most impressed with the quarterback's dedication to working out. But Schilens is no slouch in that department himself, especially coming off the year he had.

Only once, his rookie year in 2008, has Schilens played in all 16 regular season games. Last year he played in 15



► The Jets don't have a proven receiver on their team after Antonio Holmes, opening a door for Schilens.

games for Oakland, with a modest haul of 23 catches for 271 yards and two touchdowns. But Schilens is an impressively built 6-foot-4 and 225 pounds, making him an ideal replacement for Plaxico

Burress.

"I think I can probably fit in to a couple different places. Honestly, I'll just make plays like I told the guys and wait to see how it plays out in the end," Schilens said. "We all have

Revis misses practice time

Jets cornerback Darrelle Revis was held out of a good portion of Sunday's practice with a hamstring injury, a precaution for a player who has battled hamstring injuries in the past.

"I don't think it's that serious and [trainer] John Melody looked at it. It's really not that serious, just a little bit of tightness," Revis said. "We loosened it up this morning. Actually I felt great going out to practice. I did individuals. I felt great."

Revis said he should practice in full today.

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something to offer — and I think at the end of the day, no matter what, it's going to be good."

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Rex Ryan, Rain Man?

Having made his box office debut this summer with a cameo appearance in an Adam Sandler movie, Jets head coach Rex Ryan could well be eyeing more opportunities on the silver screen after Bart Scott compared him to Dustin Hoffman's character Raymond Babbitt in the movie "Rain Man."

In the movie, Babbitt suffers from autism, but has an extraordinary ability for analysis and recall.

"It's Rex's defense. No one can teach his defense better than he can. He's the defensive version of 'Rain Man.' He sees things that other people don't see," Scott said. "I'm sure everyone chuckled when he said he was the best defensive coach in the league, but I dare you to look over the last 10 years and find a better defensive coach." ● METRO/KD

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Nicks plans August return

Giants wide receiver Hakeem Nicks very much wants you to know he plans to be back by mid-August — with plenty of time to spare before the Sept. 5 opener.

Nicks, who broke his right foot during OTAs in May, was given an original timetable for return very close to Week 1. But the team's No. 1 receiver is already back running.

"There are definitely no setbacks," Nicks said. "Everything is going the way we planned, so we're just sticking to the things that the doctors and trainers told us."

That means running, but not yet taking cuts and running routes. Nicks said he would see the doctors again af-

ter practice and hopefully begin cutting in "the next couple of days."

When he is not getting treatment he's spending his

time as a mentor for a receiving crew that is still very young after himself and Victor Cruz, who emerged as a star last season.

"The guys are ready to take on a new role this year," Nicks said. "Whether it be a leader, or coming in to make big time catches in clutch situations, guys are looking forward to making a step."

One of those players is Jerrel Jernigan, a second-year player, who didn't see much time last season. He's already looked impressive in camp.

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT TO LAW, that the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs will hold a Public Hearing on Wed, August 15, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at 66 John Street, 11th floor, on a petition from Culinary Concepts Hospitality Group, LLC to continue to, maintain, and operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe at 29-25 Ninth Avenue in the Borough of Manhattan for a term of two years. Requests for copies of the proposed revocable consent agreement may be addressed to: Department of Consumer Affairs, Attn: Foil Officer, 42 Broadway, New York, NY 10004.

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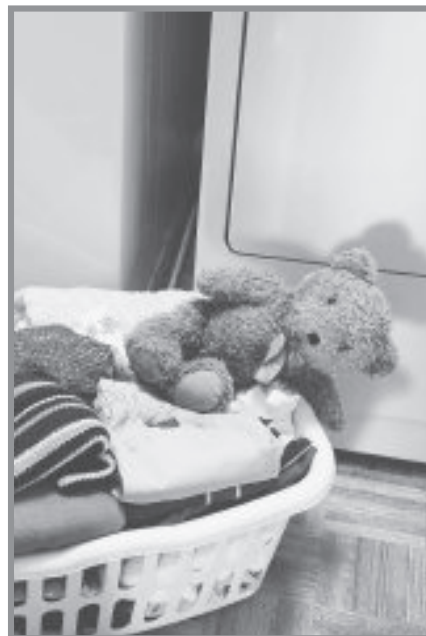
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